

Women's
Leadership
luncheon Oct. 28

HOLYOKE – Colleen Loveless, president and CEO of Revitalize Community Development Corporation in Springfield, and Nicole Palange, vice president of V&F Auto in Agawam, will lead the final 2020 Women's Leadership Luncheon series session on Wed., Oct. 28, presenting on the topic "Women Leaders in Non-Traditional Businesses."

LUNCHEON, 5

Receiver declares
alternate holiday

HOLYOKE – As we work to become an antiracist and culturally responsive school community, we have chosen to celebrate Indigenous Peoples' Day instead of Columbus Day on Monday, Oct. 12. HPS is closed in observance of this holiday that is celebrated across the United States. Indigenous Peoples' Day offers us a time to honor and reflect on the histories and culture of Indigenous Americans.

The celebration of Columbus Day enforces the historical misconception that Christopher Columbus discovered America. The first inhabitants of our country were Indigenous Americans. Columbus and other colonists used violence against generations of Indigenous Americans in their pursuit of colonization.

HOLIDAY, 6

Morse announces
appointments

HOLYOKE – Mayor Alex Morse has submitted the appointments of 8 individuals before the City Council last week to serve on various City Boards & Commissions. These appointments help our local government remain open and responsive to the people of Holyoke and reflect the diversity of our community. Over the last nine years, Mayor Morse has made it a priority to open up the doors of City Hall and bring new people into city government. The Mayor has also made it a priority to diversify city government, greatly

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Schools partner with
pharmacy to meet
flu shot mandate

By Shelby Macri
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HOLYOKE – The Holyoke public schools partnered with the Department of health to run an outdoor flu shot clinic. Also, the public school nurses are in collaboration with the Stop & Shop Pharmacy.

"We wanted to make sure all students are able to have access to a flu shot," School Superintendent Dr. Alberto Vázquez Matos said. "We're not assuming they have access to primary or availability to places like CVS and Walgreens."

He explained that it's important to get a flu shot not only because it's flu season, but because there's the added worry of COVID-19.

There will be different sites hosting the flu shot clinic for Holyoke staff and their families along with students. Both students and staff family members must be nine years or older and students will need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

The clinics will be on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at Dr. Marcella R. Kelly School from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., then another will be held on Monday, Oct. 26 at Maurice A. Donahue School at the

same times. These sites are hosting the program and are servicing all staff and students from the school system, not just the staff and students at those schools.

Participants will be asked to where a mask and to maintain social distancing during the clinic, additionally they will need to complete paperwork for themselves and their family members to bring to the clinic. The forms are available online on the Holyoke public school website. They include a screening and consent form, the same in Spanish, and a COVID screening form. Staff and parents can contact their school nurse for more information or any questions.

"We're amid a pandemic and we want to make sure people have access to the things they need," Dr. Vázquez said. "I understand it's our first year hosting a clinic rather than promoting other sites."

The clinic was a solution among COVID and may not be held in the future, though Dr. Vázquez Matos couldn't stay for sure what the future holds.

There will be free flu clinics offered at Holyoke Community College, though

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REMOTE LEARNING CONTINUES



Mr. Labrie, a science teacher at the STEM academy, engages in remote learning. Submitted photo



A young student participates in physical education activities via remote learning.

DOWN THE FIELD



The Holyoke High School field hockey team has gotten its season underway. The Knights took on Westfield last week. More photos from that game are on page 7. Photo by Gregory A. Scibelli

Grant awarded for school redesign

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HOLYOKE – The Holyoke Public Schools was awarded two grants from the Barr Foundation, the first being given in the summer and the second being given recently. The two grants add up to \$1,000,000 awarded for the High School's redesign work.

In the early summer the Barr Foundation granted the Holyoke public schools \$250,000 to continue developing a program for students who are significantly off track to graduate. The foundation recently gave the Holyoke public school a \$750,000 grant to support and fund the continued implementation of the high school's redesign model.

The model includes creating strategies to improve instruction and other services; like providing students with the tools and skills they need

to be successful in school now and later in college, then eventually in their careers. The grant will also help to continue to implement the high school's early college program, North campus' career academics, support for instructional improvement, teacher coaching and professional learning, and time for curriculum revision and implementation. These things will be especially helpful for teachers during this new form of schooling.

"We are extremely grateful to the Barr Foundation for their generosity in awarding these grants to the Holyoke Public Schools. These funds will allow us to continue the important high school redesign work that is taking place in our district," Superintendent of Schools Dr. Alberto Vázquez Matos said. "We appreciate Barr's partnership, support, and investment in our students as we continue to prepare them

for success in college and career."

This will help the schools' mission is to help all students graduate and be prepared to succeed in the college and career of their choice.

The high school's redesign includes five core innovations that are aimed at increasing equality, opportunity, and performance. These innovations include incorporating Dean, North, and Opportunity Academy campuses together and having them be supervised by the Executive Principal, Dr. Steven Mahoney. This will allow for a tighter level of coordination and collaboration across the campuses, including better distribution of resources among the three campuses.

The core innovations also include launching Freshman teams, and Sophomore Academies that help link to career fields for Western

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City schools celebrate Hispanic Heritage month

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HOLYOKE – The Holyoke public schools offered online celebrations to honor Hispanic Heritage month, as the schools have celebrated this month for years. Instead of traditional celebrations, the Holyoke public schools posted different games and trivia online.

“In the past it was held at schools throughout the city.” School Superintendent Dr. Alberto Vázquez Matos said. “Schools would celebrate with traditional foods, clothing, dances, decorations, and more.”

They celebrate Hispanic heritage month each year from September 15 to October 15, Allowing the schools to celebrate and speak about the history, cul-

tures, language, and contributions of the Hispanic and Latin people within the city and largely the country.

While the schools aren’t able to gather during this time, Dr. Vázquez Matos made sure there was activities being done online. He adapted Hispanic heritage month to fit the current style of school.

“A lot is being done remotely, we have Dr. V’s top questions on our Facebook page, we had a week were we posted about the heritage of those in the city and another week we did something different.” Vázquez Matos said. “We have people sharing pictures and stories about their family and heritage. We also have a webpage up on the site and a letter I wrote for Hispanic heritage month.”

Dr. Vázquez Matos explained that

the school had a team that was working on an editorial calendar to keep track of the different activities, so they were able to plan out a fun and informational way to celebrate the heritage. He further explained that Holyoke has a diverse history of Hispanic families and important individuals throughout the city.

“It’s cool to see and read about different families heritage and stories. It’s also encouraging students and families to read each others posts, and find various way to celebrate.” Vázquez Matos said. “I look at the posts on the Facebook page, and they have received a lot of feedback.” He further explained that one post reached 440 people, with many encouraging and positive reactions and comments on it.

In the letter Vázquez Matos wrote,

he explains how the schools serve nearly 4,200 students who identify as Hispanic or Latino/a, and that’s about 81 percent of the schools enrollment. The staff also includes many Hispanic and Latino/a members throughout the district. Dr. Vázquez Matos felt it was important to still celebrate Hispanic heritage month, although they couldn’t do it normally. It’s important to reach out to the students and families, and stay connected during these times.

In his letter, Dr. Vázquez Matos said, “As a Hispanic myself, who cam to the mainland U.S. from Puerto Rico at a young age as an English learner, I join our Hispanic and Latino/s/x students, families, and staff in celebrating our experiences and journeys during this month and beyond.”

Library to hold Pumpkin Decorating Extravaganza

HOLYOKE – The Children’s Room invites kids of all ages to participate in our Pumpkin Decorating Extravaganza. Think that you can create the most frighteningly festive and seriously spooky pumpkin in all of Holyoke? Then this is the event for you! Send us a picture of your jack-o’-lantern any time between Oct. 19 and Oct. 30 to be entered into our Pumpkin Decorating Contest, and be sure to check in on our Facebook page and website on Halloween to see the winners.

Don’t have a pumpkin? Not a prob-

lem. The Children’s Room will be distributing free pumpkin decorating kits between Oct. 19 and Oct. 30 to the children of Holyoke. Each kit contains a sugar pumpkin, paints, a paintbrush, stickers, a history of Halloween booklet, a Halloween activity packet, and more. To get yours, please email cpope@hol yokelibrary.org or call us at 413-420-8105. We recommend that you request one as soon as possible, as we have a limited supply. Please send all contest entries to cpope@hol yokelibrary.org before Oct. 31.

Church to still have fall event

HOLYOKE – A “modified” Fall Festival will be held at Our Lady of the Cross located at 67 St. Kolbe Drive, Holyoke, on Saturday, Oct. 24 from 12 noon to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 25 from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

There will be a Polish Dinner

-Takeout Only and pre-orders for takeout are requested but not mandatory. There will be a few raffles including theme baskets. Social distancing and masks required. Please call the Parish office at 413-532-5661 for takeout pre-orders or with any questions.



A drive-thru flu vaccine clinic will be held at Holyoke Community College over the next few weeks. Submitted photo

Drive-up flu clinics coming to HCC

HOLYOKE – Holyoke Community College will serve as a host site for four drive-up flu vaccine clinics during the next few weeks.

The clinics – Tues., Oct. 20, Fri., Oct. 23, Tues., Nov. 3, and Fri., Nov. 6 – are being provided by the Holyoke Board of Health and CVS Pharmacy and are open to the general public.

All the clinics run from 8-11 a.m. and will be held in Parking Lot M next to HCC’s Bartley Center for Athletics and Recreation on the main campus at 303 Homestead Ave., Holyoke, the same

location where free COVID-19 testing is underway until Oct. 31.

The flu vaccines are free with most insurance, including MassHealth. Pre-registration is not required but highly recommended to ensure sufficient supply.

These are drive-up clinics, so there is no need to exit your vehicle. Free face masks will also be distributed on site.

Appointments can be scheduled for 20-minute time slots by following the links on the HCC website to the CVS Pharmacy registration pages for each day: hcc.edu/flu.

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Storowton Village Museum offers history and harvest tours

WEST SPRINGFIELD – Storowton Village Museum is offering a variety of safe, socially-distanced, educational programming for all ages. The tours follow all social distancing and mask-wearing guidelines and must be purchased in advance on the museum’s website, www.storowtonvillage.com.

Museum & Steam Tours

\$8 and \$12; Tuesdays to Fridays at 11am & 3pm

In addition to general museum tours happening Tuesdays through Fridays at 11am, Storowton will offer a special 3pm tour focused entirely on science, technology, engineering, art and math. “We wanted to create an afterschool type of tour for students who are learning remotely or homeschooled, as a way to get out of the house and take a break from screens,” said Jessica K. Fontaine, Director of Storowton Village Museum.

STEAM tours will provide an opportunity to share New England history through the lens of other disciplines and fields that people don’t often connect with history museums. This new tour aims to bridge the early days of American industrialization and the fast-paced, tech-heavy world that we live in now. The tour is geared toward ages 7-12 but all ages are welcome to learn.

Visitors will receive activity packs at the start of their tour and museum staff will guide them through the innovations of the museum’s 18th & 19th century buildings and people who lived and worked in them. Visitors will see artifacts of inventions and interesting machines then have the opportunity to use their imagination and complete a patent drawing of a new invention that could be a solution to a need in today’s world.

History & Harvest

\$12; October 24 at 11am & 1pm and October 31 at 11am

Looking for fun and educational things to do as the leaves change color and the weather begins to cool? Learn about the history of New England’s storied harvest season on select Saturdays in October at Storowton Village Museum!

Museum staff will invite visitors into the Clark Blacksmith Shop to see blacksmiths working at the forge and find out how oxen were integral to the process of harvesting. Before leaving the shop visitors will make their own horseshoe nail rings. Another stop will be the Greenwich Barn — built circa 1750 — to find out how corn is ground, turned into traditional treats like Johnny Cakes, make corn husk dolls and dip candles. Visitors will also stop by the Gilbert Farmhouse, a classic New England farmhouse, to talk about food preservation and make their own seed-saving packets. Visitors will be given items along the way to take home, including recipe cards, a gourd to paint and other seasonal surprises. Kids are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes and take a picture by the “How Tall is Fall?” photo spot.

Additional tour dates and times can be accommodated by contacting the Museum in advance to make a reservation. Follow the museum on social media and sign up for the email newsletter at www.storowtonvillage.com.

Drive-thru food event continues

Tickets for the fourth and final week of Eastern States Exposition’s Big E Food-To-Go Drive-Thru, sponsored by Westfield Bank, Oct. 12-18, are on sale now at www.TheBigE.com. Tickets are still available for Week 3, now through Oct. 11.



Storowton Village has several programs happening in the next month.

Submitted photos

The Drive Thru operates Tuesday through Sunday as follows: Tues. to Thurs., 11am to 7pm; Fri., 10am to 8pm; Sat., 9am to 7pm; and Sun., 9am to 5pm.

There is a \$5 per vehicle entry fee and reservations for specific time slots can be made online in advance. A maximum of fifty cars per hour within two-hour time slots will be admitted each day. Guests may secure as many time slots as they wish per week at \$5 per vehicle reservation. Drive-up customers are welcome on a first-come, first-served basis when there is space available. Guests enter through Gate 9 and follow the directions of the parking staff to ensure a smooth trip through the ordering and pick-up process.

With the new Food-To-Go Drive-Thru ticketing system and express lane, customers can expect a quick and easy trip through the line with minimal wait times.

The menu includes Big E favorites such as turkey legs, pork chop sandwiches, Billie’s Baked Potatoes, Chompers and more! Vendors are:



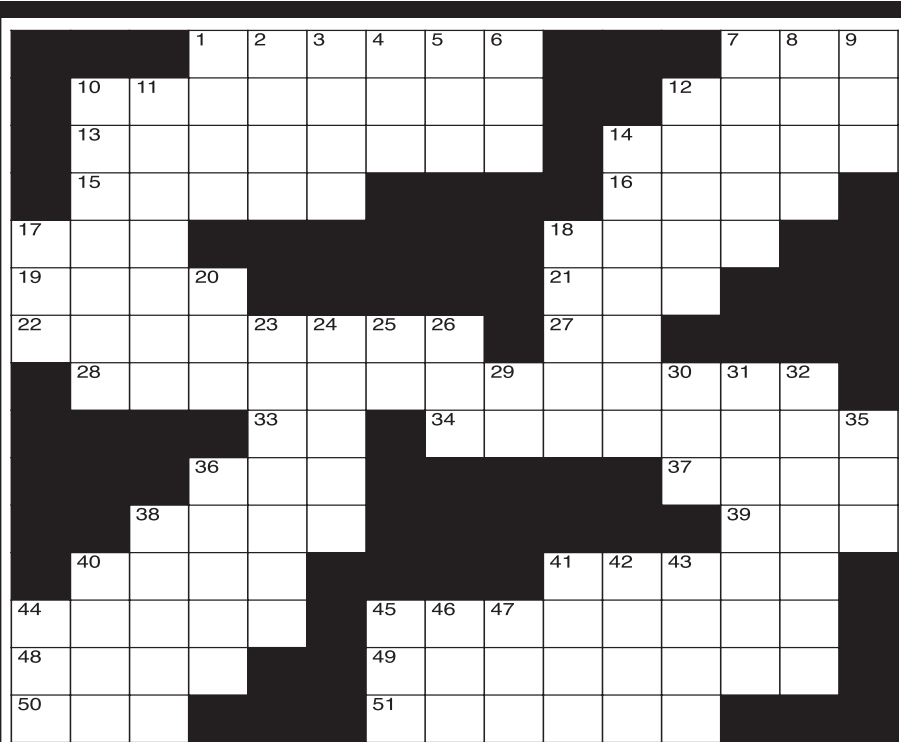
The Food-to-go event continues at the Big E grounds.

Week 3 – now thru Oct. 11

Brew Garden Pub Food, Billie’s Baked Potato, Chompers, Piche’s Concessions, Poppie’s Concessions and Porky’s Pork Palace

Week 4 - Oct. 13-18

Angela’s Pizza, Billie’s Baked Potato, Calabrese Market & Grill, Chompers, Poppie’s Concessions and Porky’s Pork Palace



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Lunar crater
- 7. Upstate NY airport (abbr.)
- 10. Fruit
- 12. Seventh avatar of Vishnu
- 13. Organism that grows without air
- 14. Heals
- 15. A book has one
- 16. Open
- 17. Twitch
- 18. Plant of the mint family
- 19. Soon
- 21. Witch
- 22. Long, mournful complaint
- 27. Killer clown film
- 28. Keeps us occupied
- 33. Influential

lawyer

- 34. Formation of concepts
- 36. Insecticide
- 37. Swiss river
- 38. Actress Lucy
- 39. Unit of g-force
- 40. Can repel attackers
- 41. Essential oil used as perfume
- 44. Cut into small pieces
- 45. Mexican agricultural worker
- 48. Best pitchers
- 49. Benign tumors
- 50. Danish krone
- 51. Looms above

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Make a map of

2. Cain and ___

- 3. Dried-up
- 4. Corporate exec (abbr.)
- 5. Trading floor hand gesture
- 6. Strongly alkaline solution
- 7. Yemen capital
- 8. Military leader (abbr.)
- 9. Maintains possession of
- 10. Afternoon show
- 11. Imaginary being
- 12. Rearrange
- 14. Holy person or sage
- 17. ___ Mahal
- 18. Backbone
- 20. Brooklyn hoopster
- 23. Intervened
- 24. Extremely angry

25. Indicates position

- 26. Chinese surname
- 29. Potato state
- 30. When you think you’ll get there
- 31. ___ Falls
- 32. Bullfighters
- 35. Born of
- 36. Small fishes
- 38. “Father of chemical warfare”
- 40. Waste matter
- 41. Skin disease
- 42. Scandinavian mythological god
- 43. ___ and haws
- 44. Villain
- 45. Tell on
- 46. Difficulty
- 47. Not old

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Poetry Corner

Pendulum More Like Prism

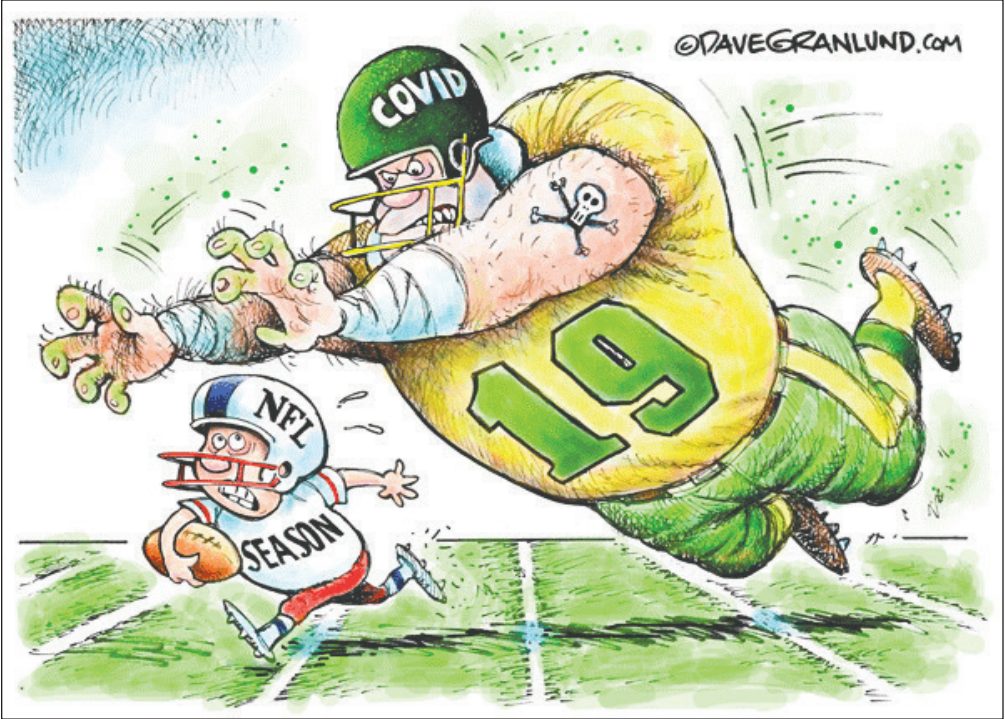
By Thomas J. Kennedy

*Pendulum more like prism
As Pendulum swings in slovenly satire
Too much generalities in isms...
Remember We saved the World.*

*Sacrifice beyond – Living free...
Only God knows in why and how,
By forever remembered dates
Got to be free... Got to be free...*

*Thank God for America
Esoteric essence in-kind
As country or individual
Change only a bit – Only a bit.*

*Laws and Love – Don't fully understand
Only God Knows... Only God Knows...*



Guest Columns

Questions about the mystery of spousal benefits

By Russell Gloor

Dear Rusty: From what I've researched, the formula for spousal benefits seems very complicated. I read somewhere that it was a good idea to start the lower earning spouse's benefit at age 62, and have the higher earning spouse file at full retirement age, for the spouse to get maximum benefit. But that information does not seem correct from other things I've read. Please help me clear this up. My wife's birth year is 1956, and she now gets \$656/month in Social Security benefits after claiming at 62. I have not claimed my benefits yet and Social Security's estimator says I qualify for about \$2,850/month when I reach full retirement age. My birth year was 1957. So, if I take my benefit now at 63 will my wife's benefit go up? And if I wait until my full retirement age to claim, will she get half of my benefit? I've tried to research all of this, but it is still very unclear. Signed: Seeking Knowledge

Dear Seeking: Yes, the spousal benefit formula is complicated, especially when both of you are entitled to your own Social Security benefits. And there's never a simple answer to whether it is a good idea for the lower earning spouse to start benefits first at age 62. For one thing, it depends upon whether they are still working, but it also depends upon health, life expectancy, and need for the money early.

Nevertheless, if your wife's current age 62 benefit is \$656, then her benefit at her

full retirement age (had she waited) would have been about \$895. This is known as her Primary Insurance Amount, or "PIA." Spouse benefits are computed using PIA amounts, so if your full retirement age (FRA) benefit will be \$2,850, here's how your wife's spousal benefit will be calculated if you claim your Social Security after your wife has already reached her FRA:

- 50% of your FRA benefit (PIA) is \$1,425. Because your wife's PIA is \$895, her spousal boost is \$530 (\$1,425 - \$895). Her spousal boost (\$530) will be added to her actual early benefit (\$656) and her new benefit amount as your spouse, at her FRA, will be about \$1,186. Obviously, that's less than half of your FRA benefit amount.

The computation changes if you claim your Social Security benefit now, before your wife has reached her full retirement age, because getting her spouse benefit before her FRA means her spousal boost will be reduced (she automatically gets her spousal benefit when you claim).

The reduction to the spousal boost is actuarial, according to the number of months before her FRA that it is taken. If you were to claim now when your wife is 64, her spousal benefit would be computed like this:

- The spousal boost amount of \$530 would be reduced because your wife hasn't yet reached her FRA. Instead of the full \$530 spousal boost, it would be reduced to about \$442. The reduced spousal boost is added to

your wife's early Social Security benefit of \$656, for a total benefit of about \$1,098. Once again, less than 50% of your FRA benefit amount.

So, as you can see, because your wife took her own benefit at age 62, she cannot get a spousal benefit equal to 50% of your FRA benefit, regardless of when you claim. If you claim your Social Security before your wife reaches her FRA, your wife's spousal boost amount will be reduced, further lowering the total benefit amount your wife is entitled to as your spouse. The basic rule is this: any time any Social Security benefit is taken before one reaches their full retirement age, that benefit is reduced. And a spouse who claims their own Social Security retirement benefit before FRA will never get a spouse benefit equal to 50% of the other spouse's PIA.

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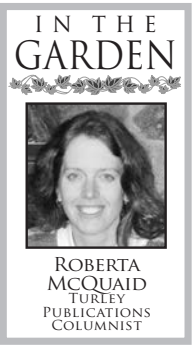
SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS

My favorite flowering bulbs and why

This is the first year in a long time that I won't be planting spring flowering bulbs. I want to, in fact I had more than one internet shopping cart close to the check-out point. But alas, the frugal side of me won, and I closed the cover of the laptop before reaching for the credit card. You see, I already have numerous bulbs in the yard. But for those of you embarking on the wonderful world of spring bulbs, here are a few tips to ensure your success followed by a few of my all-time favorite varieties.

The general rule of thumb for planting spring flowering bulbs is to sink them into the ground at a depth of two times the height of the bulb. For example: If a tulip bulb is three inches from its point to its base, then plant it six inches deep. The same rule determines how far apart you plant bulbs from one another, only this time it goes by width. Therefore, a crocus corm that is only one inch wide should be planted two inches apart from its closest neighbor. Nearly all gardeners agree that spring-flowering bulbs look most appealing when planted in clumps, rather than planted singly or in rows.

For major bulbs such as tulips, narciss-



us or hyacinth, this translates into groups of at least three. For so-called minor bulbs like crocus, galanthus and muscari, I'd plant five at the very minimum. If deer eat the tops of your emerging tulips or crocus, consider planting hyacinth and narcissus instead. Rodents often times find crocus bulbs yummy. Dissuade them by filling the bottom of the planting hole with sharp gravel. You can also try planting them in little cages made of half-inch galvanized hardware cloth.

Now for some of my favorites: 'Barrett Browning,' is a chart-topping daffodil with a creamy-white petals and a bright orange cup. It's a dependable bloomer in the garden and also does well indoors. Try forcing some of these in a pot for successful indoor blooms after a few weeks in the refrigerator. 'Thalia,' an entirely white daffodil, is an heirloom and known as the orchid narcissus. It's very fragrant and prolific. Poeticus daffodils have white petals, a red-rimmed "eye" and are unusually fragrant. Speaking of fragrant, many of the double daffodils sport a heady scent and 'Sir Winston Churchill' is no exception. An orange/yellow center is surrounded

by numerous ivory petals.

Two of my favorite tulips hail from the single early class. Typically this group are short-stemmed, ranging in height from 12 to 18 inches and have egg-shaped blooms. Treasured heirlooms 'Couleur Cardinal' with its deep red flowers and 'Keizerskroon,' a red and yellow bicolor, are both single early tulips. Double early tulips bloom in late March/early April and come in a variety of pastel and bright colors. Durable stems top off at 10-12" tall. Try growing the yellow cultivar 'Monte Carlo' with an underplanting of blue hyacinth. Just stunning! One of my favorite all-time orange tulips is 'Gudoshnik,' a double- late tulip. Conjure up deep orange, butterscotch, rust and even sulfur and you will still be short a few shades when trying to describe this peony-like tulip to your gardening friends.

Either you love or you hate hyacinths. Some folks call them too stiff for the garden. Others say the fragrance is too strong for inside the house. This poor flower can't win. But for those of us who are fans, I say the more the merrier. We often see hyacinths in pastels, pinks and blues. Less common are the yellow and orange shades. Try 'City of Haarlem,' for a true light yellow or 'Gipsy

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to write
about life,
you have to
live it first."*

Ernest Hemingway

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Soldiers’ Home Coalition to create Veteran Tribute Page

HOLYOKE – The Holyoke Soldiers’ Home Coalition is looking to confirm the names of veterans who died from COVID-19 while under the care of the Soldiers’ Home.

The Coalition is creating a tribute page on its web site, www.holyokesoldiershomecoalition.org.

The group’s goal is to verify the names of all veterans who died from, or contracted, COVID-19 though care received at the Soldiers’ Home and to have as complete a list as possible for future remembrances.

The Coalition was formed in June this year when a group of family members of veterans who died of COVID-19 joined with members of the veteran community in western Massachusetts to advocate for significant improvements to the current Soldiers’ Home.

Family members of any veteran who died from COVID-19 while under the care of the Soldiers’ Home in Holyoke who would like the veteran’s name listed should contact the Coalition by sending an email by Nov. 1 to holyokesoldiershomecoalition@gmail.com.

Parish to hold ‘drive-thru bazaar’

CHICOPEE – St. Stanislaus Parish will be having a “Drive-thru Bazaar” on Saturday, Oct. 17 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. behind the school located at 534 Front St. Chicopee. Polish dinners will be sold for \$15.00 each and will include, 2 cabbage pierogi, 2 cheese & potato pierogi, 1 golumbki, 5 slices of kielbasa, kapusta, and a slice of rye bread. There will be a limited amount of dinners sold. Tickets may be purchased at the Parish Office on 40 Cyman Dr. Chicopee, or you can reserve your dinners online through the parish website at www.ststansbasilica.org until 10/16/20. Since this is a drive-thru event, you must stay in your vehicle. Dennis Polisky and the Maestro’s Men will be playing polka music throughout the event. The event will be live-streamed on the parish’s Facebook page and on YouTube.

We also have 2 raffles that will be taking place that day. The first one, is the Cash Raffle with the top prize of \$1,000 and 11 other cash prizes. Tickets are \$ 1.00 each or 6 for \$ 5.00. The second raffle is our “Extra Special Raffle”. Tickets are \$ 5.00 each. There are a total of 7 prizes. Prizes are: Teddy the Lottery Bear with \$ 75.00 of Scratch tickets and \$ 25.00 cash, and 6 large baskets with assorted themes. The raffle tickets may be purchased at the parish office in advance or at the event.

On Sunday, Oct. 18, we will be selling “Frozen Foods to Go”, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. behind the school. Please stay in your vehicle. A volunteer will take your order. You can purchase your pierogi for Christmas. Prices are as follows: Cabbage pierogi \$7.50 dz., Cheese & Potato pierogi \$8.00 dz., Quarts of Kapusta \$5.00 ea.

For more information, please contact Cindy Conklin at 413-592-7211, or by email at cindyconklin@charter.net.

Thank you in advance for your support of this event.

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Holyoke Merry-Go-Round has been selected by local Stop & Shop store leadership as the benefiting non-profit in the Community Bag Program. For the entire month of October, the Holyoke Merry-Go-Round will receive a \$1 donation from each purchase of the \$2.50 reusable Community Bag at the Stop & Shop store located at 2265 Northampton Street, Holyoke, MA 01040. Please consider buying a bag when you checkout.

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The online series, postponed from spring because of COVID-19, is sponsored by Holyoke Community College and Training and Workforce Options – TWO – a collaboration between HCC and Springfield Technical Community College.

Like the previous three sessions, this one will be held over Zoom from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

Each lunch-time event features two presenters leading discussions on different topics.

HCC president Christina Royal and Amanda Sbriscia, HCC vice president of Institutional Advancement, led off the reimagined monthly Women’s Leadership Luncheon Series on July 29 with a session on “Leading Through Change.”

“Empowering Women in the Workplace” was the theme of the second session, led by Denise Jordan, executive director of the Springfield Housing Authority, and Julie Quink, managing partner of Burkhart, Pizzanelli PC.

Tanisha Arena, executive director of the nonprofit advocacy group Arise for Social Justice, and Pam Victor, owner of Happy Valley Comedy Theater, presented “Comfortable in Your Own Skin, Finding Your Voice” during the September event.

Advance registration is required, and the cost is \$20.

GARDEN, from page 4

Queen,’ for a lovely tone of salmon.

All of this talk about spring flowering bulbs makes me want to open up the laptop to a certain shopping cart. You only live once, right? And having a few more flowers in the yard isn’t such a bad thing, is it?

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For the last 28 years, she has held the position of staff horticulturalist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to ekennedy@turley.com with “Gardening Question” in the subject line.

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Massachusetts. Additionally, the schools will launch an early college program that is connected to the Sophomore academies, that will partner with Holyoke Community College and Westfield State University. A work-based learning program will be created, in order to support student internships and co-ops as credited experiences that are designed to give academic work meaning and relevance. Lastly the school will be growing the Dean campus enrollment; as it’s expected to more than triple it’s 2017-18 enrollment numbers by next year, as stated in a Holyoke public school press release.

“We are grateful to the Foundation for the constancy of its generosity and

support.” Mahoney said. “Barr has proved once again that it is a foundation committed to real change and to the fact that real change comes from consistent focus and effort over an extended period of time.”

The Barr Foundation has a mission to invest in human, natural, and creative potential and serving as thoughtful stewards and catalysts.

As stewards they nature and enhance vital community assist, and as catalysts they cultivate and advance the breakthrough ideas that will shape a collective future. The foundations core values include striving for excellence, investing in leaders, acting with humility and modesty, adoptions long term perspectives, embracing risks, and demonstrating curiosity. They are committed to collaboration and partnership to help motivate and drive change.

The Holyoke public schools are aiming to transform the high school experience to ensure that every student has a high-quality educational option, while focusing on getting all students an option for colleges and future careers. The high school redesign plan includes strategies to improve instruction and empower students. As stated in a press release the Holyoke High School has improved the demographics of it’s advanced learning classes and programs, with an 85 percent increase in the number of students who enrolled in college prep programming. The high school is working hard to help their students be successful in school and far after.

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Lesser continues to lobby for East-West rail

SPRINGFIELD – Today, Senator Eric P. Lesser and Senator Anne M. Gobi welcomed local rail advocates and members of the Palmer community for a Virtual Rally for Palmer Rail Stop livestreamed to Facebook and Twitter. The draft report of the MassDOT East-West Passenger Rail Study is due to be published on Oct. 16 and will then open for a 30-day public comment period on the final three options which include service to Palmer.

The two heard testimony from longtime local advocates on the important role a Palmer rail stop plays into the success of East-West rail. The group also discussed the transformative impact that rail service will have to the region and entire Commonwealth economically and socially.

“Our communities in Western Mass

are great places to live and great places to grow up, but we’re struggling,” said Sen. Lesser. “We’ve seen the job losses, we need the investment, we need the job creation and the great thing is that Boston needs it too, because nobody can afford to live in Boston. We know what it takes to get our communities back, it’s investment in infrastructure. It’s a transformational investment that gets us to a new future that’s brighter, and better, and more fair and equitable than the one that we had before.”

“All we’re asking for is a little equity here,” said Sen. Gobi. “Look what it can do not just for our region, but for the entire state. That’s the message, and that’s the message we have to keep pushing forward with those who have been working on the ground on this.”



Senator Lesser and Senator Gobi discussing the importance of a Palmer rail stop with Ben Heckscher, Linda Leduc, Jessica Sizer, Karen Christensen, Ben Hood, and Scarlet Lamothe.

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Rhonda Anderson (Iñupiaq Athbaskan), Western Massachusetts Commissioner on Indian Affairs and Founder and Co-Director of Ohketeau Cultural Center, sent an email to HPS in appreciation of our intentional commitment to celebrate Indigenous Peoples’ Day. While we recognize that mak-

ing this change is just the first step in remedying the knowledge gap about Native American history that still exists today, we are working to correct that in our school curriculum. For example, as part of the seventh-grade ethnic studies program, students are studying European Colonialism with a focus on the story of Columbus. Students examine contact between Indigenous peoples

and the Spanish Conquistadors in order to study how bias shapes the writing of history and, therefore, our understanding of the world.

As we complete our fourth week of school, I would like to thank you for your partnership and support during these unprecedented times. I hope that you are able to relax and enjoy the long weekend.

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they require proof of insurance. They are having drive-up clinics on Tuesday, Oct. 20, then Friday, Oct. 23, and again on Tuesday, Nov. 3, and Friday, Nov. 6. All of them will be held from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at 303 Homestead Avenue. There is information for this clinic on the Holyoke public school website.



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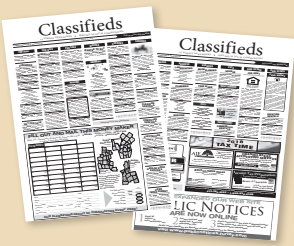


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Holyoke shut out by Agawam

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

HOLYOKE – There are a couple of talented high school girls' soccer players from Western Massachusetts, who'll be playing soccer at a Division 1 college next year. Agawam senior forward Hope Santaniello is one of them.

Santaniello, who was injured most of last season, is healthy again. She posted her second consecutive hat-trick leading the Brownies to a 5-0 victory over the Holyoke Purple Knights at the Roberts Sports Complex, which is located on the Holyoke High School campus, last Wednesday afternoon. The match came to an end with 5:13 remaining in the third quarter because of a thunderstorm.

"Hope missed a lot of last season with an injury so it's so good to see her back," said

Agawam head coach Laura Wray-Ramos. "To have her back in the mix is obviously a big confidence booster for the rest of the team. She came in making All-State as a freshman and already at that top level, and now she has just taken that level beyond my expectations for her. She's going to be our first Division 1 college player in more than five years."

Santaniello has given a verbal commitment to join the University of Rhode Island women's soccer team.

"I'm very grateful for the opportunity to play soccer in college," Santaniello said. "I couldn't have done it without the help of my family, teammates, and coaches."

Santaniello is very excited to be back on the field playing with her high school teammates.

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Emma Shoup tries to keep the ball.



Ella Washington tries to keep the ball inbounds.

Photos by Gregory A. Scibelli



Goalie Taryn Ryan passes the ball way.



Veronica Colon tries to re-direct the ball.



Anjelica Rivera tries to intercept the ball.

Knights field hockey team drops decision to Westfield

HOLYOKE – Last Wednesday, the Holyoke High School field hockey team fell to Westfield 5-1.

Naressa Kempadoo scored the lone goal for the Knights

late in the game. Goalie Isabell Murphy made seven saves in the defeat.



Molly O'Donnell tries to maintain possession of the ball.



Defender Maura-Fontaine-Dulude starts to move upfield.



Chloe Moynihan tries to maneuver around a Westfield player.



Ava Tellier looks for a teammate to pass to.



Samantha Brennan makes a stop on a ball heading for the Holyoke end.

Photos by Gregory A. Scibelli

Buffone takes Street Stock Open at World Series event

THOMPSON, Conn. — Belchertown, MA’s Christopher Buffone was both good and lucky on his way to the \$1,000 win in the Street Stock Open at Connecticut’s Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park on Friday, October 9. Buffone inherited the lead with less than two laps remaining in the 25-lap feature and took the victory on the first night of the 58th Annual Sunoco World Series of Speedway Racing.

The youngster had surrendered the lead to Pascoag, RI’s Chad Baxter on the 17th circuit. With laps winding down, it seemed Buffone could only watch Baxter drive off into the night. However, as the field entered turn one after getting the two-to-go signal, Baxter’s engine went up in a cloud of smoke. His loss was Buffone’s gain as the latter sped to a thrilling victory in his first-ever start at Thompson Speedway.

Incredibly, it was the third time one of Buffone’s challengers had been waylaid by mechanical troubles. Buffone earned the pole by charging from 12th to 4th in his qualifying race, netting him a +8 under the “plus-minus” system. After leading the first seven laps, Buffone gave way to Candia, NH’s Jimmy Renfrew Jr., who came from seventh on the grid to sweep underneath him.

Coming out of turn two on the 10th lap, though, Renfrew’s car shut down, handing the lead back to Buffone. A caution then came out for an unrelated incident involving Ed Flanagan Jr.’s stalled car. Renfrew’s teammate Alby Ovitt, a many-time 8-cylinder Street Stock winner, lined up alongside Buffone for the restart. But Ovitt shut down as well after the green, taking



Christopher Buffone, of Belchertown, was the winner in the Street Stock event last weekend. Submitted photo

another contender out of the running.

After trading some paint on the next restart, Buffone led a five car breakaway with Baxter, Corey Hutchings, Devon McConologue, and Kyle Gero. Baxter made his move on the 17th circuit, sticking his nose out front and then clearing Buffone a lap later. The final yellow flew with five laps to go when Flanagan again stalled his automobile. Baxter easily handled Buffone when the green flag flew, but his engine could not go the distance, letting Buffone snatch the win.

Hutchings grabbed second followed by McConologue and Gero. Christopher Smith, Corey Fanning, Shawn Monahan, Jon Porter, Paul Williams, and Don Perry completed the top-10.

Like Buffone, Sterling, CT’s Jared Roy also made the most of some good fortune to get the win in the Thompson Mini Stock feature. Roy took the green flag in fourth for the 20-lap main event.

Entering turn two on the first lap, though, polesitter Dave Trudeau drifted high and looped it. Second- and third-place starters Tommy Silva and Steve Michalski made hard contact trying to avoid him, sidelining both for the night.

As a result, Roy suddenly found himself in the lead. He darted away from the pack once, then did so again following another yellow on lap nine for Jeff Mazzella’s spin. Trudeau tore back through the field and tried to chase down Roy in the closing laps. He could get no closer than three car lengths, though, as Roy capped the season with a victory.

Trudeau finished second. Chris Taylor came in third while Dave Trudeau Jr. topped a dogfight with Russell Barboza for the fourth spot.

Ben Levangie of Plymouth, MA went wire-to-wire to win the 15-lap Vintage Modified Open feature.

Hauppauge, NY’s Mark Miller moved up to second early and was gaining on Levangie at the halfway mark.

However, as the field came down the backstretch for the ninth time, Miller’s engine expired and set him to the pits. It was smooth sailing from there for Levangie as he won by half a straightaway over Unionville, CT’s Gary Byington. Bobby Gegetsas completed the podium.

Rick MacDowell of Sheffield, MA held off a snarling pack of Senior Tour Auto Racers Late Models to win the 15-lap feature. MacDowell got the jump over Nassau, NY’s Robert Keefner following the race’s only caution at lap five when Bob Seward shut down in turn three. He then led a multi-way battle down the stretch with five cars under a blanket at the front.

Housatonic, MA’s Joseph Keefner chased MacDowell over the final laps, but could not do anything with him and crossed the finish line in second right on MacDowell’s bumper. Bob Guyon, Joe Henderson, and Gary Moore rounded out the top-five.

Alan Zemla made the trip from Windham, ME worth the drive with a victory in the Senior Tour Auto Racers Modifieds. Zemla went nose to nose with Higganum, CT’s Skip Swiantek throughout the 20-lap event as the top six ran door-to-door and bumper-to-bumper.

Swiantek poked a wheel out from entering turn three multiple times, but Zemla came back each time, beating him the checkered flag by a few feet. Thomas Trempe edged Gregg Massini for third with Darryl Dutch taking fifth.

Help feature your student-athletes

The fall season is underway and Turley Publications has been back out covering the action for the first two weeks.

We continue to ask for help on this season in order to bring the best coverage we can possibly manage and fill our pages with names and color.

We know that fans will be limited to the home crowds, but that is where you all come in.

We have a limited number of staff to start the school year due to the pandemic, and while we strive to get to as many games as possible, we cannot get to everywhere.

If you are a parent, coach, or even player, and you have information or photographs to share, we definitely want to

hear from you.

If you don’t see one of our photographers at a game, please feel free to send your own action photos of games in order to bolster our coverage. If you are interested in regularly submitted photos, please do contact us.

Otherwise, we would love to hear from anyone who reports scores, details, and any milestones that occur during this unprecedented season. Please be sure the information you provide us is accurate and check with coaches, if necessary, before submitting.

We also encourage all coaches to submit their results and details as much as possible. Send any and all information and photos for inclusion to sports@turley.com.

Westfield Owls to get own locker room

WESTFIELD – Westfield State Athletics has announced a campaign to outfit a new hockey locker room for the Owls’ varsity program.

Westfield State recently reached a license agreement with Amelia Park Arena in Westfield for a dedicated locker room for the Owls’ varsity ice hockey program.

“This is a great step forward for our men’s ice hockey program,” said Westfield State Athletic Director Richard Lenfest, Jr. “Since we returned the program to varsity status in 2008, a lot has changed in intercollegiate ice hockey and having a dedicated space for the team had become a priority.”

“It has been a long time coming”, said Kevin Chrisanthopoulos, President of the Board of Trustees for Amelia Park Ice Arena. “Our facility has always had a great relationship with WSU athletic programs, and this partnership further solidifies that relationship and finally provides their varsity hockey program with a dedicated locker room. I’m proud that we were able to finally make this a reality.”

Westfield State hockey alumni banded together in the early and mid-

2000’s to form the “Blueliners Club” which supported the fundraising effort which restored hockey to varsity status in 2008 after an 18-year hiatus.

Current Washington Capitals head coach Peter Laviolette is a 1986 graduate of Westfield State and was a four-year member of the Owls hockey team, who helped lead the first Blueliners campaign. Laviolette has already lent his support to the new fundraising effort, recording video message to his fellow alumni to start the campaign.

“I can tell you, being a coach, there’s nothing like having a locker room - it’s a sense of home and a sense of identity for your team to come in and be a part of,” said Laviolette. “It will benefit the current players and be a tremendous recruiting tool for incoming players to continue to push Westfield State hockey into an elite MASCAC team.”

“We are lucky and grateful to have Coach Laviolette in our corner as an alumnus,” said Westfield State men’s ice hockey coach Bob Miele, “and to have the support of all the alumni who have come through the program. They

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Turley Sports joins Instagram

Turley Publications sports department has recently joined Instagram. You can find our account by searching “turleysports.” We will regularly feature samples of photos that you will see in our publications on a weekly basis. Please follow and share with your friends and

loved ones. We will be featuring photos from all 11 of our sports sections in the coming weeks, but as always, you can see all the photos that appear by subscribing to your local paper or picking up a copy in your community.

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“I’m very happy to be out there playing soccer again, especially with everything that’s happening right now with the virus,” she said. “I’ve worked very hard to get back.”

Santaniello recorded her first hat-trick of the season in the Brownies 4-0 season opening win at Hampshire Regional on Oct. 1.

Agawam (3-0) took a 1-0 lead against Holyoke (0-3) with 13:15 left in the first quarter when Santaniello fired a low shot into the right corner past Holyoke senior goalkeeper Taryn Ryan

(13 saves). Senior midfielder Makenzie Shean was credited with the assist.

Shean, who finished the game with three assists, hasn’t made her college decision yet, but she’s also capable of playing soccer at the next level.

“Makenzie is so underrated, she’s one of the best players on our team,” Ramos said. “She’s a playmaker, she’s unselfish, she’ll set up Hope all day long and never worry about herself scoring. Hope is great, but we have confidence in the rest of our girls too.”

The Brownies also had shots on goal in the first quarter by junior midfielder Kailey Butler, junior midfielder Gianna Smith, and sophomore forward Isabel

Lalancette during the opening quarter, but the score remained 1-0.

With 15:55 left in the second quarter, Shean put a shot into the right corner of the net, which was assisted by senior forward Emily Landry.

The Brownies third goal was scored by Lalancette ten minutes later. It was her first career goal in a varsity game.

“Isabel has been trying to score a goal for over a year now,” Santaniello said. “She always works very hard at practice and I’m very happy for her.”

Agawam junior goalkeeper Clara Laudato didn’t see very much action during the first 40 minutes of the contest. Before the bad weather arrived late

in the third quarter, Santaniello scored her second goal on a set-shot into the upper right corner, which was assisted by Landry.

Just like in the first quarter, the duo of Shean (assist) and Santaniello (goal) hooked up again with 11:45 remaining on the scoreboard clock.

The Brownies closed out last week with a 2-1 win over Westfield, who are the defending Western Mass. Division 1 champions, last Friday. Senior midfielder Stephanie Maloni and Santaniello combined to score goals for Agawam in their home opener.

Agawam is also slated to host Holyoke on Oct. 26.

OWLS, from page 8

know how important this is for us to continue to improve our hockey team,” said Miele, who has been the team’s head coach since 2009 after serving as an assistant coach in the team’s return season.

“One of the first questions players ask when we are recruiting them is about the rink and the locker room,” said Miele. “This will definitely be a new feature for our program and will help tremendously.”

“Amelia Park has been our home since 2008,” said Miele. “The new room will really give our program a home atmosphere and home ice advantage as well.”

“I’d like to thank the Amelia Park board of trustees, including board presi-

dent Kevin Chrisanthopoulos, facilities chair Don Goodreau, and arena general manager Bruce Landon in all their efforts in reaching an agreement that benefits our ice hockey team, and creates additional locker room space in the arena,” said Lenfest. “We had discussed options with the rink management for quite some time in making this agreement a reality.”

“Our men’s ice hockey program, led by coach Miele, recruits qualified student athletes from not just New England, but all over the U.S., and international players as well,” said Lenfest.

Westfield’s 2019-20 roster featured players from nine different states, Canada, Czech Republic, Finland and New Zealand.

The Owls finished 12-10-5 overall in the 2019-20 season and advanced to the semifinals of the Massachusetts

Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament.

Owls’ alumni Dennis Zak ‘11, Vince Perrault ‘14 and Jackson Leef ‘17 were each named as MASCAC player of the year during their tenure in Westfield. Multiple Owls have signed minor-pro contracts after playing at Westfield State, highlighted by Leef, who has played several seasons in the ECHL and earned a call up to the American Hockey League in 2018.

Amelia Park Arena is located at 21 S. Broad St. in Westfield, less than three miles from the Westfield State University campus. The main arena is a 47,000 square foot facility that includes an NHL-sized ice rink with a capacity for over 1,000 spectators for hockey, five large team rooms, three conference/party rooms, skate rental, and concessions. The

facility was built in 2000 by late philanthropist Albert Ferst, in memory of his wife Amelia. Throughout their lifetimes, the Fersts made it a priority to give back to the community, especially the youth, in providing positive opportunities.

The Owls will take occupancy of the team locker room for the 2020-21 season, once construction is complete on the new locker room five at Amelia Park. Westfield State hopes to complete improvements in the room in the summer of 2021.

For more information on the locker room project, or how to contribute to the campaign, please contact Dave Caspole, Associate Athletic Director for External Affairs at 413-572-5433 or dcaspole@westfield.ma.edu or Major Gifts Officer Marnie Dacko at 413-572-8648 or mdacko@westfield.ma.edu.

In The News

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increasing the number of women and people of color on these boards.

List of appointments:
Mr. Michael Moriarty - License Board

Executive Director of OneHolyoke CDC since 2013, Mr. Moriarty is dedicated to transforming distressed neighborhoods and improving lives for residents of the City of Holyoke.

Ms. Daphne Board - Holyoke Redevelopment Authority
Holyoke resident since 2003, previously volunteered her time on the Citizen Participation Committee of the Holyoke Redevelopment Authority, developing and providing input on the

2012 Urban Renewal Plan. Passionate about the ongoing revitalization efforts in the City.

Dr. John A. Perdrizet - Conservation Commission

President and Chief Clinician at the Sanctuary Animal Clinic in Holyoke who has dedicated his time in restoring a patch of land that once was only grass into a ‘garden oasis’ which has attracted diverse birds and wildlife as well as food-producing shrubs, trees, vines, and a variety of flora for aesthetic and environmental enrichment.

Ms. Rosanna Lopez - Planning Board

Ms. Lopez has dedicated her work to improving the quality of life for many in the City through different organizations that focus on employment oppor-

tunities, quality housing for low-income families, and a social advocate for the less fortunate.

Mr. Gurninder Dhaliwad - Planning Board

Owner of Dino’s Pizza & Treasurer of the World Sikh Parliament. A resident of Holyoke since 2002, Mr. Dhaliwad has devoted his time in helping those in need and a fierce example of someone who has made a difference in the lives of many in our community.

Mr. Luis Salazar - Holyoke Historical Commission

Mr. Salazar has a special interest in historic preservation and the role it plays in the economic development in Holyoke. With a professional background and business in journalism and film, he has a unique perspective to bring

to the Commission.
Mr. Harry Montalvo - Holyoke Historical Commission

As a Community Outreach and Economic Development Specialist in Holyoke, Mr. Montalvo works with low-income families and neighborhoods to improve and revitalize communities. Since working in Holyoke, Mr. Montalvo was struck by the beauty and diversity of the City’s architecture and plans to conserve it for future generations to enjoy.

Ms. Rosa Pantoja - Holyoke Economic Development & Industrial Corporation

Ms.Pantoja is a driven entrepreneur with various businesses in the City of Holyoke and passionate about helping others starting their journey on building a new business.

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CITATION GIVING
NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN FOR
INCAPACITATED PERSON
PURSUANT TO
G.L. c. 190B, §5-304**
To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **Holyoke Medical Center** of Holyoke, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Jacoba Rosa DeJesus** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Milagros Velez of Holyoke, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.
The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitat-

ed, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.
You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **10/29/2020**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.
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The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial

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WITNESS, Hon. Barbara M Hyland, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 01, 2020
Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate
10/16/2020

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10/16/2020

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-8600
Docket No. HD20P1287EA
Estate of:
THOMAS MCMAHON
Date of Death:
June 3, 2020
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE**
To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Nancy E. Keenan** of Holyoke, MA.
Nancy E. Keenan of Holyoke, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without**

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10/16/2020

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GAS & ELECTRIC
DEPARTMENT
PURCHASE OF CANAL
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Holyoke, MA 01040
cwong@hged.com
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10/16/2020

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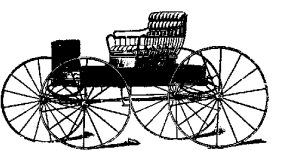
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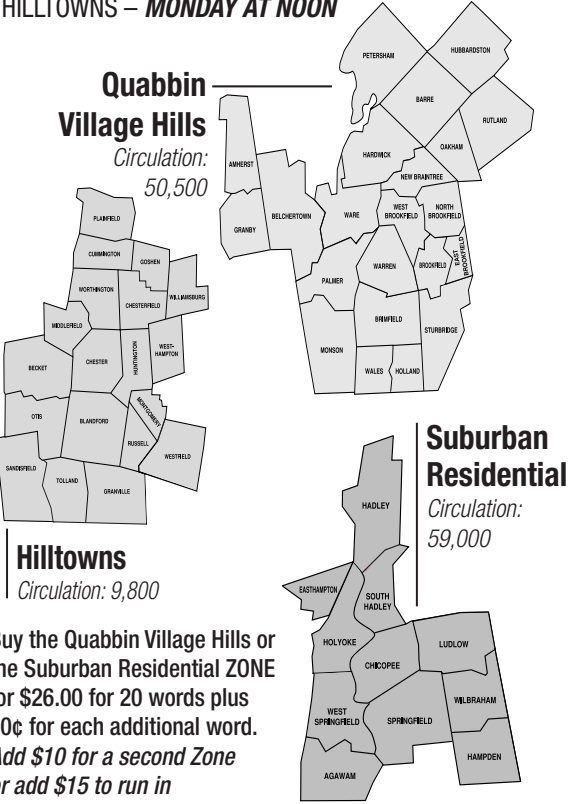
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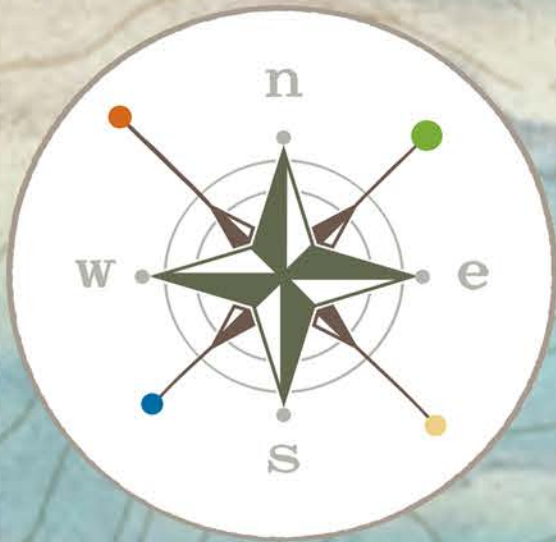
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